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Applicants : MEYER et al.)
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Title: METHOD FOR)
PRODUCING A FIRE)
PROTECTION GLAZING)
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Art Unit : Not yet assigned)
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Atty Docket : 30882/41723)
Customer No. : 04743)
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STATEMENT OF FACTS UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(a)

Mail Stop Petition
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The undersigned hereby states as follows:

1. I am employed as a paralegal assistant in the firm Jostarndt Patentanwalts-AG of Aachen, Germany, European patent counsel for Scheuten Glasgroep BV, which holds rights in the above-identified patent application.

2. In my capacity as a paralegal assistant, I assist Dr. Hans-Dieter Jostarndt, a patent agent with the firm in communicating with the assignee, the inventors of the application, and with U.S. patent counsel handling the application (Marshall, Gerstein & Borun LLP, Chicago).

3. I make this statement to provide facts known to me concerning Professor Gerhard Meyer's refusal to sign an inventor's declaration for the above-identified patent application.

4. Gerhard Meyer is one of six named co-inventors of the above-identified patent application. The other named co-inventors have executed declarations for patent application for themselves and on behalf of their non-signing co-inventor. Copies of the declarations are submitted herewith as Appendix A.

5. Gerhard Meyer's last-known residential address is:

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6. Professor Meyer is represented by counsel identified below (see also letter attached as Appendix C):

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7. On behalf of Jostarndt Patentanwalts AG, I sent Professor Meyer a inventor's declaration on May 15, 2006. A complete copy of the above-identified patent application has been sent to Professor Meyer with our letter dated June 14, 2004 (international filing date) along with an inventor's declaration which has been signed by Professor Meyer on July 19, 2004.

8. On July 6 and 9, 2006, Professor Meyer responded to our letter of May 15, 2006 inquiring about the filing deadline for the declaration in this and other patent applications. See e-mail chain attached as Appendix B, provided in the original German language and as an English-language translation.

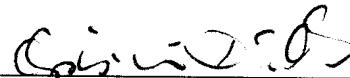
9. On July 14, 2006, on behalf of Jostarndt Patentanwalts AG, I notified Professor Meyer that the original deadline had passed, and requested that the declaration (among other documents) be sent immediately for filing in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. See e-mail chain attached as Appendix B.

10. Subsequently, attorneys Geyer & Borchert for our client Scheuten Glasgroep (assignee of the above-identified application), received a letter dated July 18, 2006, from Professor Meyer's attorney Doris Vorloeper, Appendix C, provided in the original German language and as an English-language translation. In that letter, the attorney states that Professor Meyer is "ready to provide the required signature" but that "first some questions must be clarified." The letter proceeds to make demands for payments on a contractual matter.

11. On behalf of Jostarndt Patentanwalts AG, I requested that the attorneys for our client, the assignee Scheuten Glasgroep, summarize the correspondence with Professor Meyer attempting to obtain the executed inventor's declaration from him. The response letter of October 9, 2006, signed by Klaus-Peter Raabe and attached as Appendix D, is self-explanatory.

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Dated: Nov. 03, 2006
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Appendix A
to Statement of Facts Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(a)
by Christine Davids

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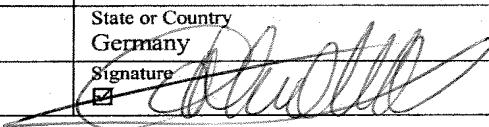
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(d) the invention was first patented or caused to be patented, or was the subject of an inventor's certificate, by the applicant or his legal representatives or assigns in a foreign country prior to the date of the application for patent in this country on an application for patent or inventor's certificate filed more than twelve months before the filing of the application in the United States, or

(e) the invention was described in a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent, or on an international application by another who has fulfilled the requirements of paragraph (1), (2), and (4) of section 371(c) of this title before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent, or

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(a) A patent by its very nature is affected with a public interest. The public interest is best served, and the most effective patent examination occurs when, at the time an application is being examined, the Office is aware of and evaluates the teachings of all information material to patentability. Each individual associated with the filing and prosecution of a patent application has a duty of candor and good faith in dealing with the Office, which includes a duty to disclose to the Office all information known to that individual to be material to patentability as defined in this section. The duty to disclose information exists with respect to each pending claim until the claim is canceled or withdrawn from consideration, or the application becomes abandoned. Information material to the patentability of a claim that is canceled or withdrawn from consideration need not be submitted if the information is not material to the patentability of any claim remaining under consideration in the application. There is no duty to submit information which is not material to the patentability of any existing claim. The duty to disclose all information known to be material to patentability is deemed to be satisfied if all information known to be material to patentability of any claim issued in a patent was cited by the Office or submitted to the Office in the manner prescribed by §§ 1.97(b)-(d) and 1.98. However, no patent will be granted on an application in connection with which fraud on the Office was practiced or attempted or the duty of disclosure was violated through bad faith or intentional misconduct. The Office encourages applicants to carefully examine:

(1) prior art cited in search reports of a foreign patent office in a counterpart application, and

(2) the closest information over which individuals associated with the filing or prosecution of a patent application believe any pending claim patentability defines, to make sure that any material information contained therein is disclosed to the Office.

Information relating to the following factual situations enumerated in 35 USC 102 and 103 may be considered material under 37 CFR 1.56(a).

35 U.S.C. 102. CONDITIONS FOR PATENTABILITY: NOVELTY AND LOSS OF RIGHT TO PATENT

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless --

(a) the invention was known or used by others in this country, or patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country, before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent, or

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of the application for patent in the United States, or

(c) he has abandoned the invention, or

(d) the invention was first patented or caused to be patented, or was the subject of an inventor's certificate, by the applicant or his legal representatives or assigns in a foreign country prior to the date of the application for patent in this country on an application for patent or inventor's certificate filed more than twelve months before the filing of the application in the United States, or

(e) the invention was described in a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent, or on an international application by another who has fulfilled the requirements of paragraph (1), (2), and (4) of section 371(c) of this title before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent, or

(f) he did not himself invent the subject matter sought to be patented, or

(g) before the applicant's invention thereof the invention was made in this country by another who had not abandoned, suppressed, or concealed it. In determining priority of invention there shall be considered not only the respective dates of conception and reduction to practice of the invention, but also the reasonable diligence of one who was first to conceive and last to reduce to practice, from a time prior to conception by the other.

35 U.S.C. 103. CONDITIONS FOR PATENTABILITY; NON-OBVIOUS SUBJECT MATTER (Applicable Portion)

A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

Subject matter developed by another person, which qualifies as prior art only under subsection (f) or (g) of section 102 of this title, shall not preclude patentability under this section where the subject matter and the claimed invention were, at the time the invention was made, owned by the same person or subject to an obligation of assignment to the same person.

35 U.S.C. 112. SPECIFICATION (Applicable Portion)

The specification shall contain a written description of the invention, and of the manner and process of making and using it, in such full, clear, concise, and exact terms as to enable any person skilled in the art to which it pertains, or with which it is most nearly connected, to make and use the same, and shall set forth the best mode contemplated by the inventor of carrying out his invention.

Appendix B
to Statement of Facts Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(a)
by Christine Davids

From: aachen@jostarndt.de
Sent: Friday, July 14, 2006 6:59 AM
To: gmeyer
Subject: Re: Re: Patent extension/deadlines?

Dear Professor Meyer,

Regarding patent application AC SCG 5307-PT-WO-US, the deadline for presenting the documents to the US Patent Office was 6/5/2006. With a payment of an official fee, an extension of this deadline could be applied for. Therefore, the signed documents are needed immediately for presentation to the Patent Office in the USA.

The same applies to patent application AC SCG 525 PEP-WO-US, but here the original deadline was 6/14/2006. Here too, the deadline can be extended against the payment of an appropriate official fee.

In the case of patent application AC SCG 5307-PT-WO-CA, the Patent Office of Canada has not yet assigned a deadline for presentation. Yet, here too, we would like to ask you to sign and return the documents as soon as possible.

Sincerely,
In representation, Christine Davids

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From: gmeyer [mailto:gerhard.meyer@fh-gelsenkirchen.de]
Sent: Sunday, July 9, 2006 18:10
To: aachen@jostarndt.de
Subject: Re: Patent extension/deadlines?

Dear Mrs. Bebronne,

Hereby I am supplying you with the following file names:

AC SCG 5307-PT-WO-US JO/CD
AC SCG 5307-PT-WO-CA JO/CD
ACSCG 5205 PEP-WO-US JO/CD

An assignment should be additionally possible via the outgoing mail.

Sincerely,

Gerhard Meyer

On 7/7/2006 at 16:40 <aachen@jostarndt.de> wrote the following:

Dear Professor Meyer

Unfortunately we cannot assign the files to your email. Please let us know the file numbers.

Sincerely,

Greetings

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To: Information storage for public files (JODA)
Cc: Kerstin Meyer
Subject: Patent extension/deadlines?

Dear Dr. Jostarndt,

Unfortunately, due to the many deadlines towards the end of semester, and, among other things, my official visit to Romania from which I returned yesterday, I can only now respond to the above matter. Since in your letter no deadlines were named I'd like to ask you to inform me about the official deadlines and the deadline projections of your office.

Sincerely,

Gerhard Meyer

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From: aachen@jostarndt.de
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Sehr geehrter Herr Professor Meyer,

zur Patentanmeldung AC SCG 5307-PT-WO-US war die Frist zur Vorlage der Unterlagen beim US-Patentamt der 05.06.2006. Gegen Zahlung einer Amtsgebühr konnte eine Verlängerung dieser Frist beantragt werden. Die Dokumente werden daher umgehend unterzeichnet zur Vorlage beim Patentamt in den USA benötigt.

Das gleiche gilt für die Patentanmeldung AC SCG 525 PEP-WO-US, wobei hier ursprünglicher Fristablauf der 14.06.2006 war. Auch hier ist eine Fristverlängerung gegen Zahlung einer entsprechenden Amtsgebühr erfolgt.

Bei der Patentanmeldung AC SCG 5307-PT-WO-CA wurde bislang von Seiten des Patentamtes in Kanada keine Frist zur Vorlage des Assignments gesetzt. Jedoch bitten wir auch hier um baldmögliche Unterzeichnung und Rücksendung.

Mit freundlichen Grüßen

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Sehr geehrte Frau Bebronne,

hiermit möchte ich Ihnen folgende Aktenzeichen mitteilen:

AC SCG 5307-PT-WO-US JO/CD
AC SCG 5307-PT-WO-CA JO/CD
ACSCG 5205 PEP-WO-US JO/CD

Eine Zuordnung müsste zusätzlich über die Ausgangspost möglich sein.

Mit freundlichen Grüße

Gerhard Meyer

Am 07.07.2006 um 16:40 schrieb <aachen@jostarndt.de> <aachen@jostarndt.de>:

11/2/2006

Sehr geehrter Herr Professor Meyer

leider können wir Ihre Email keine unserer Akten zuordnen. Bitte teilen Sie uns unser Aktenzeichen mit.

Vielen Dank und

viele Grüße

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Cc: Kerstin Meyer

Betreff: Patenterstreckung/Termine?

Sehr geehrter Herr Dr. Jostarndt,

leider kann ich aufgrund der vielfältigen Termine gegen Semesterende und u.a. meiner Dienstreise nach Rumänien, von der ich erst gestern zurückgekommen bin, erst jetzt auf die o.g. Angelegenheit zurückkommen.
Da in Ihrem Schreiben keine Termine genannt wurden, möchte ich Sie bitten, mich über die offiziellen Terminstellungen u n d die Terminvorstellungen Ihrer Kanzlei zu informieren.

Mit freundlichen Grüßen

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Meyer J. Scheuten
Your reference: 25461/04

Dear Colleague Raabe,

We make reference to your letter dated 6/13/2006, received by us on 6/19/2006.

1. Basically our client is ready to provide the required signature. However, first some questions must be clarified. Therefore, please let us know the date when the signature has to be provided.
2. Moreover, we had spoken about the participation clause according to Paragraph 7, Section 7 of the third-party contract "FireDevil" between your client and the state NRW, represented by FH Gelsenkirchen.

According to that, our client are entitled to 1% of the production price in case of industrial production and based on the fire protection laminates developed based on the project. If your client should issue a production license, our client receives 1% of the net license amount.

The products in which the Patents EP 1 398 147 "Fire protection vitrification unit" and EP 1 431 027 "Fire protection means and methods for its preparation" are utilized have reached the production stage in the meantime. Based on this background, the participation amount according to Paragraph 7, Section 7 of the above-mentioned third-party contract will become due shortly.

As you know, the business relationship between your client and our client is tense. Our client is afraid that the participation payments due will not be paid or will not be paid in the full amount. Against this background, our client obtained a counsel's opinion to check the legality of the above third-party contract and the legal position with regard to a cancellation of the contract. As a result of this counsel's opinion, it was found that the execution of the right to cancellation seems promising. Independently of that, our client has the possibility of having the production prices of the above-mentioned patents and the resulting claims of payment derived from them be checked by an independent certified

public accountant. This procedure would have to be repeated annually in the coming years.

Against this background, we consider it expedient to agree out of court comparatively on a single advance payment to satisfy the requirements of Paragraph 7, Section 7 of the third-party contract. With such a payment all claims arising from the legal relationship can be compensated and your client could go into production without a certified public accountant having to check the numbers every year.

Our client predicted the production costs for the coming 10 years (attachment). According to this, an estimated amount of € 932,637.00 would be due to our client. The predictions are based on a first production installation, which produces laminates in a width of 2.40 m (or 2.20 m). However, installations are also customary in which the width is 3.21 m. If the latter installations were used, the predictions would increase correspondingly based on the expanded production.

Furthermore to be considered are any license fees for Japan and the USA, among others.

Besides that, our client is due a monthly a lump-sum payout according to competition agreement 1.H of € 1,227.10, that is, a total of € 29,450.40.

Based on these data we propose for a comparative satisfaction of the requirements arising from Paragraph 7, Section 7 of the third-party contract "FireDevil," an amount of

€ 750,000.00

which would be paid by your client to our client.

Furthermore we take the liberty of mentioning that our client does not know that even one employee of the company Scheuten has provided a proven inventive output during the time of the contract in the area of fire protection.

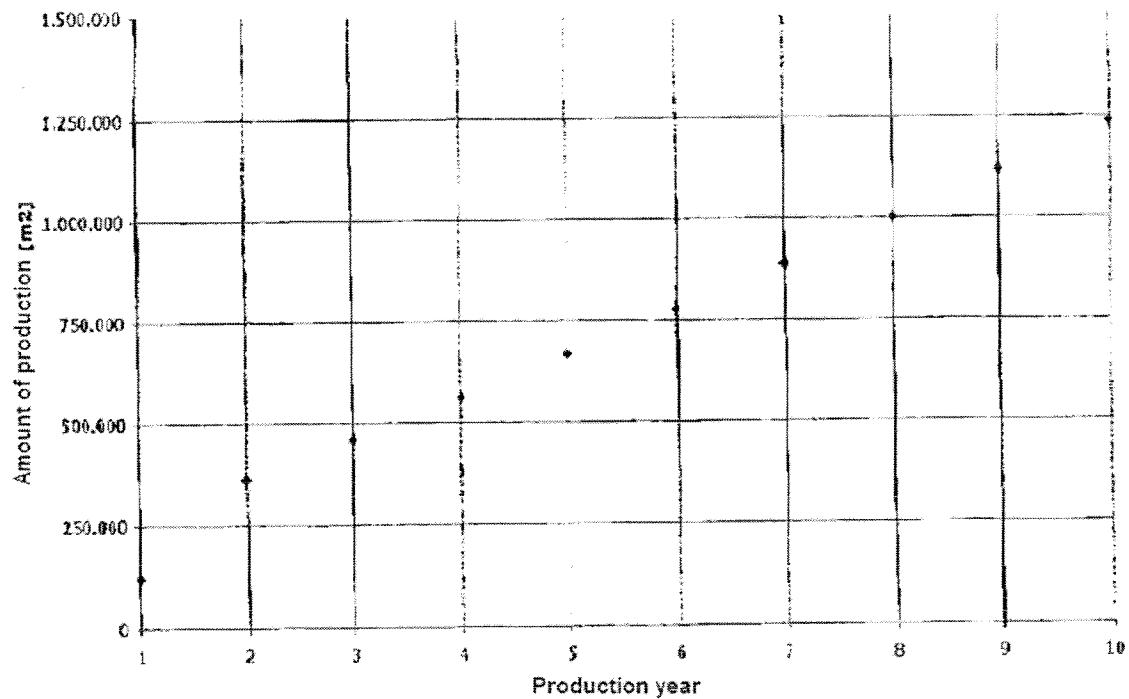
Please let us know if on the side of your client there is a readiness to make an agreement such as that described above. For this purpose we are ready to discuss the entire subject in a joint meeting. Under certain circumstances it might also be expedient to include the Technical University Gelsenkirchen in a joint discussion in order to clarify any outstanding questions in this regard as well.

We are hoping for an early reply regarding your position.

Sincerely

(Signature)
Vorlooper
Attorney

Production development (Fire protection laminate)



Production development of fire protection laminates expected (moderate technological progress)

Parameter	1 st year	2 nd year	3 rd year	4 th year	5 th year	6 th year	7 th year
Effective working width [m]	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2
Speed [m/min]	0.30	0.40	0.50	0.60	0.70	0.80	0.90
Installation availability [h]	3840	8064	8064	8064	8064	8064	8064
Layer system	2-layer	4-layer	4-layer	4-layer	4-layer	4-layer	4-layer
Quality [%]	80	85	86.5	88	89.5	91	92.5
Total amount of laminate [m ²]	121,651	361,912	460,374	562,029	666,877	774,918	886,153
Laminate cost [€/m ²]	15	15	14	14	14	13	13
Total cost of laminate [€]	1,824,768	5,292,968	6,564,642	7,813,821	9,039,726	10,241,656	11,418,989
1% cost [€]	18,248	52,930	65,646	78,138	90,397	102,417	114,190
Parameter	8 th year	9 th year	10 th year				
Effective working width [m]	2.2	2.2	2.2				
Speed [m/min]	1.00	1.10	1.20				
Installation availability [h]	8064	8064	8064				
Layer system	4-layer	4-layer	4-layer				
Quality [%]	94	95.5	97				
Total amount of laminate [m ²]	1,000,581	1,118,203	1,239,017				
Laminate cost [€/m ²]	13	12	12				
Total cost of laminate [€]	12,571,175	13,697,733	14,789,246				
1% cost [€]	125,712	136,977	147,982	932,637			



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Meyer J. Scheuten
Ihr Zeichen: 25461/04

Sehr geehrter Herr Kollege Raabe,

wir nehmen Bezug auf Ihr Schreiben vom 13.06.2006, hier eingegangen am 19.06.2006.

1. Dem Grunde nach ist unsere Mandantschaft bereit, die erforderliche Unterschrift zu leisten. Allerdings müssen vorab noch einige Fragen geklärt werden. Lassen Sie uns daher bitte wissen, bis wann die Unterschrift vorliegen muss.

2. Darüber hinaus hatten wir über die Beteiligungsklausel gem. § 7 Abs. 7 des Drittmittelvertrages „FireDevil“ zwischen Ihrer Mandantschaft und dem Land NRW, vertreten durch die FH Gelsenkirchen, gesprochen.

Danach steht unserer Mandantschaft bei einer industriellen Produktion und aufgrund des Projektes entwickelten Brandschutzlaminaten 1% des Produktionspreises zu. Sollte Ihre Mandantschaft eine Produktionelizenz vergeben, erhält Ihre Mandantschaft 1% der Netto Lizenzsumme.

Die Produkte, in denen die Patente EP 1 398 147 „Brandschutzverglasungseinheit“ und EP 1 431 027 „Brandschutzmittel und Verfahren zu seiner Herstellung“ verarbeitet wurden, sind zwischenzeitlich zur Produktionsreife gelangt. Vor diesem Hintergrund wird in Kürze die Beteiligungssumme gem. § 7 Abs. 7 des oben genannten Drittmittelvertrages fällig werden.

Wie Sie wissen, ist die geschäftliche Beziehung zwischen Ihrer Mandantschaft und unserer Mandantschaft angespannt. Unsere Mandantschaft befürchtet, dass die anstehenden Beteiligungszahlungen nicht oder nicht in voller Höhe ausbezahlt werden. Vor diesem Hintergrund hat unser Mandant ein Rechtsgutachten in Auftrag gegeben, die Rechtsfähigkeit des o.g. Drittmittelvertrages und die Rechtslage in Bezug auf eine Rückabwicklung des Vertrages zu

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überprüfen. Im Ergebnis dieses Gutachtens wurde festgestellt, dass die Ausübung des Rücktrittsrechts aussichtsreich erscheint. Unabhängig davon hat unser Mandant die Möglichkeit, die mit den vorbenannten Patenten erzielten Produktionspreise und daraus abgeleiteten Zahlungsansprüche von einem unabhängigen Wirtschaftsprüfer überprüfen zu lassen. Diese Prozedur müsste jährlich in den kommenden Jahren wiederholt werden.

Vor diesem Hintergrund halten wir es für sinnvoll, sich außergerichtlich vergleichsweise auf eine einmalige Abschlagszahlung zur Abgeltung der Forderungen aus § 7 Abs. 7 des Drittmittelvertrages zu einigen. Mit einer vergleichsweisen Regelung könnten alle Ansprüche aus dem Rechtsverhältnis abgegolten werden und Ihre Mandantschaft könnte in die Produktion gehen, ohne dass jährlich ein Wirtschaftsprüfer die Zahlen überprüft.

Unsere Mandantschaft hat die Produktionspreise für die kommenden 10 Jahre prognostiziert (Anlage). Darauf stünde unserer Mandantschaft insgesamt ein Betrag in Höhe von geschätzt 932.637,00 € zu. Die Prognosen beziehen sich auf eine erste Produktionsanlage, die Laminate in einer Breite von 2,40 m (bzw. 2,20 m) herstellt. Üblich sind aber Anlagen, bei denen die Breite 3,21 m beträgt. Sollten letztere Anlagen zum Einsatz kommen, wären die Prognosen aufgrund der erweiterten Produktion entsprechend zu erhöhen.

Weiter zu berücksichtigen sind etwaige Lizenzgebühren unter anderem für Japan und die USA.

Außerdem steht unserer Mandantschaft aus der Wettbewerbsvereinbarung eine monatliche Abfindungszahlung i. H. v. 1.227,10 € zu, mithin insgesamt 29.450,40 €.

Ausgehend von diesen Daten schlagen wir zur vergleichsweisen Abgeltung der Forderungen aus § 7 Abs. 7 des Drittmittelvertrages „FireDevil“ einen Betrag in Höhe von

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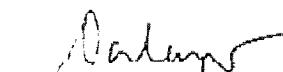
vor, der von Ihrer Mandantschaft an unseren Mandanten zu zahlen wäre.

Ferner erlauben wir uns den Hinweis, dass unserem Mandanten nicht bekannt ist, dass auch nur ein Mitarbeiter der Fa. Scherliten während der Vertragslaufzeit eine nachweisbare Erfinderleistung im Brandschutzbereich erbracht hat.

Lassen Sie uns bitte wissen, ob auf Seiten Ihrer Mandantschaft die Bereitschaft besteht, sich in dem oben genannten Sinne zu einigen. Gern sind wir zu diesem Zweck auch bereit, den gesamten Themenkomplex in einer gemeinsamen Besprechung zu erörtern. Unter Umständen wäre es auch sinnvoll, zu einer gemeinsamen Besprechung die Fachhochschule Gelsenkirchen heranzuziehen, um die in diesem Verhältnis noch offenen Fragen ebenfalls zu klären.

Ihrer kurzfristigen Stellungnahme sehen wir entgegen.

Mit freundlichen kollegialen Grüßen



Vorloeper
Rechtsanwältin

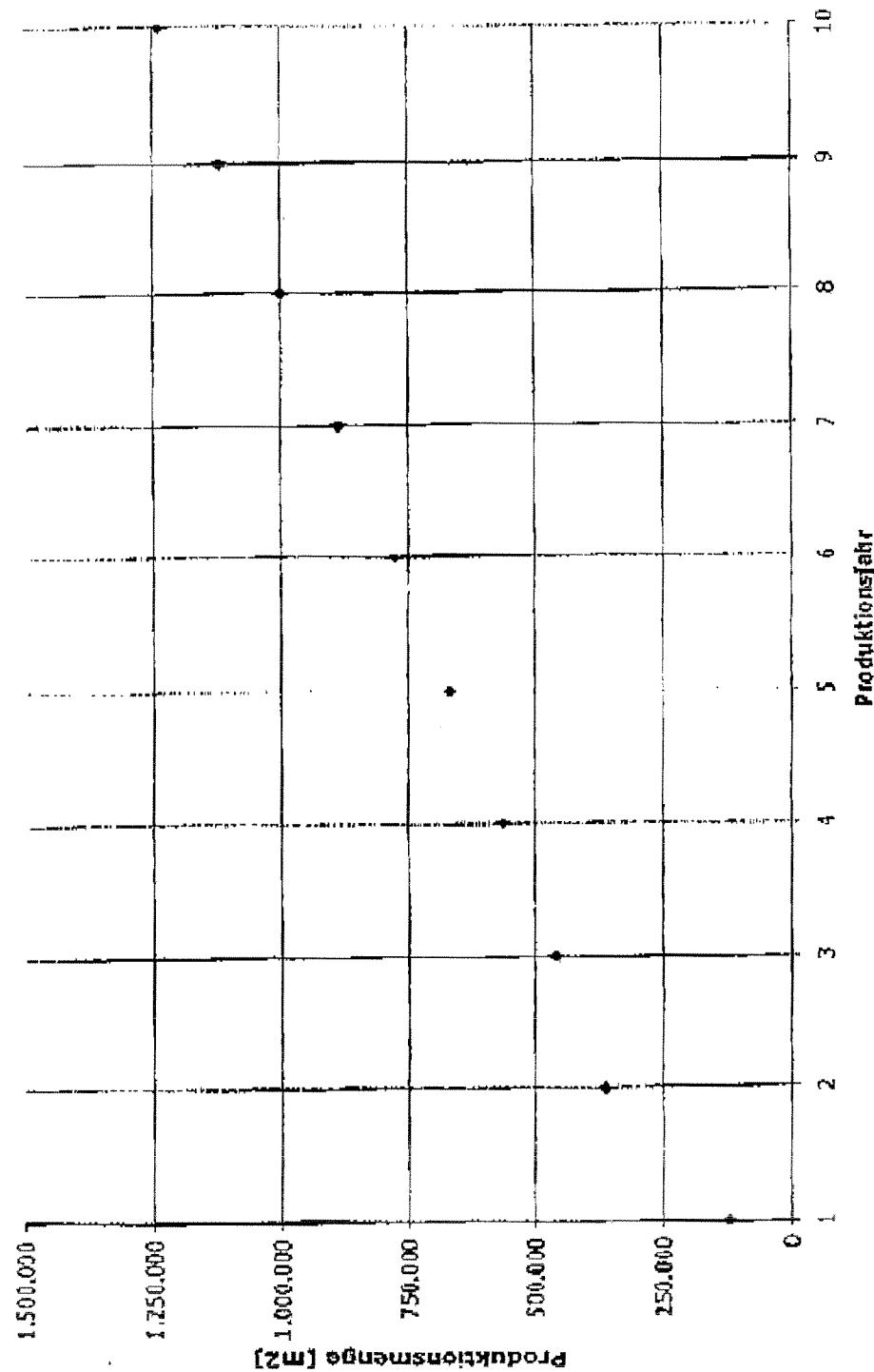
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Produktionsentwicklung (Brandabschutz-Laminat)



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Zu erwartende Produktionsentwicklung von Brandschutz-Laminaten (mäßiger Technologiefortschritt)

Parameter	1. Jahr	2. Jahr	3. Jahr	4. Jahr	5. Jahr	6. Jahr	7. Jahr
Arbeitsbreite eff. [m]	2,2	2,2	2,2	2,2	2,2	2,2	2,2
Vorschub [m/min]	0,30	0,40	0,50	0,60	0,70	0,80	0,90
Anlagenverfügbarkeit [%]	3840	8064	8064	8064	8064	8064	8064
Qualität [%]	80	85	85,5	88	89,5	91	92,5
Laminat-Gesamtmenge [m ²]	121.651	361.912	460.174	562.029	666.877	774.918	886.153
Laminat-Kosten [€/m ²]	15	15	14	14	14	13	13
Laminat-Gesamtkosten [€]	1.824.768	5.292.968	6.564.642	7.813.821	9.039.726	10.241.656	11.418.989
1%-Kosten [€]	18.248	52.930	65.646	76.138	90.397	102.417	114.190
Parameter	8. Jahr	9. Jahr	10. Jahr	Umsatzbeteiligung	(gesamt)		
Arbeitsbreite eff. [m]	2,2	2,2	2,2	2,2			
Vorschub [m/min]	1,00	1,10	1,20				
Anlagenverfügbarkeit [%]	8064	8064	8064				
Qualität [%]	94	95,5	97				
Laminat-Gesamtmenge [m ²]	1.000.581	1.118.203	1.239.017				
Laminat-Kosten [€/m ²]	13	12	12				
Laminat-Gesamtkosten [€]	12.571.175	13.697.733	14.798.246				
1%-Kosten [€]	125.712	136.977	147.982	932.637			

Appendix D
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Then I received a letter of Prof. Meyers advocates (dated 28th September) containing the information that the advocates are still waiting for a reaction of their client.

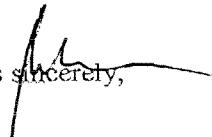
Since then there was no further contact.

It seems that there is no interest of Prof. Meyer to sign the patent application but there was no express rejection. The only explanation of himself was in the letter of July 18th, 2006 that we enclose to this letter.

On principle, he wrote, he would sign the application but there are some questions that must be answered before.

Until now he has not explained these questions. Otherwise he made demands against Fa. Scheutten in the same letter about 750.000,00 €.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be a stylized 'H' or a similar character, followed by a horizontal line.